

NCBI's Entrez System

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Bethesda, MD

Paris, 1830



Georges
Cuvier
(1769-1832)



Étienne
Geoffroy St. Hilaire
(1772-1844)

1830: “Form vs. Function” Debate



Cuvier

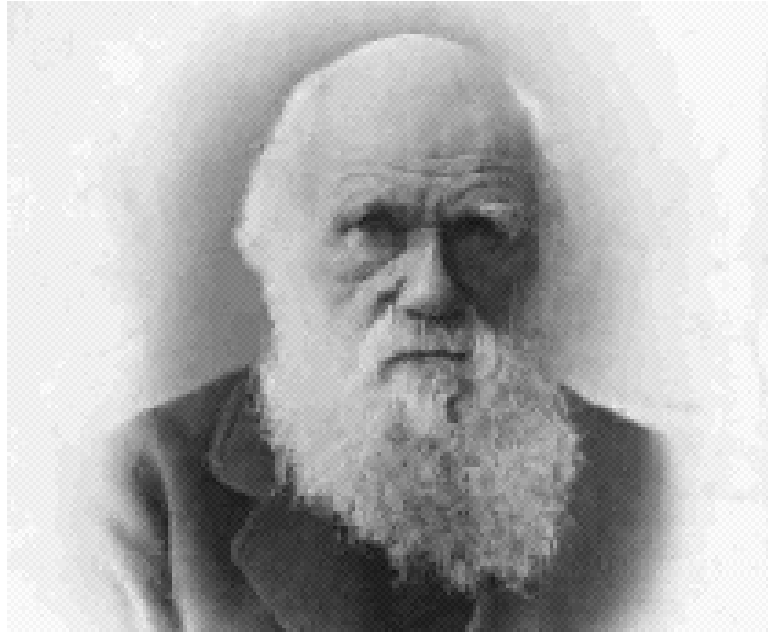
- “form follows function”
- anatomic similarities among vertebrates were due to similar function
- “If there are resemblances between the organs..., it is only insofar as there are resemblances between their functions.”



Geoffroy

- “function follows form”
- vertebrates were modifications of a single archetype
- “There is, philosophically speaking, only a single animal.”

1859: Darwin on Geoffroy



“Geoffroy St. Hilaire has insisted strongly on the high importance of relative connexion in homologous organs; the parts may change to almost any extent in form and size, and yet they always remain connected together in the same order.”

“Pre-hypothesis” Biological Information Collection

Cuvier & Geoffroy
both got here,
but through different reasoning



Collect → Characterize → Relate



where discovery takes place:
patterns are seen
and hypotheses form

A modern
example:

Sequencing:
sequence gene

Annotation:
annotate features
such as coding and
non-coding regions

Cross-comparison:
compare sequence
to every other sequence

Today vs. 1830

Biotechnological developments have increased size, scope and speed of “pre-hypothesis” biological information collection.

Collection: overwhelming amount and variety of records

GenBank contains >19 million sequence records and >20 billion bases and doubled in size in the last 16 months

Characterization: increased scope and detail of fields in records

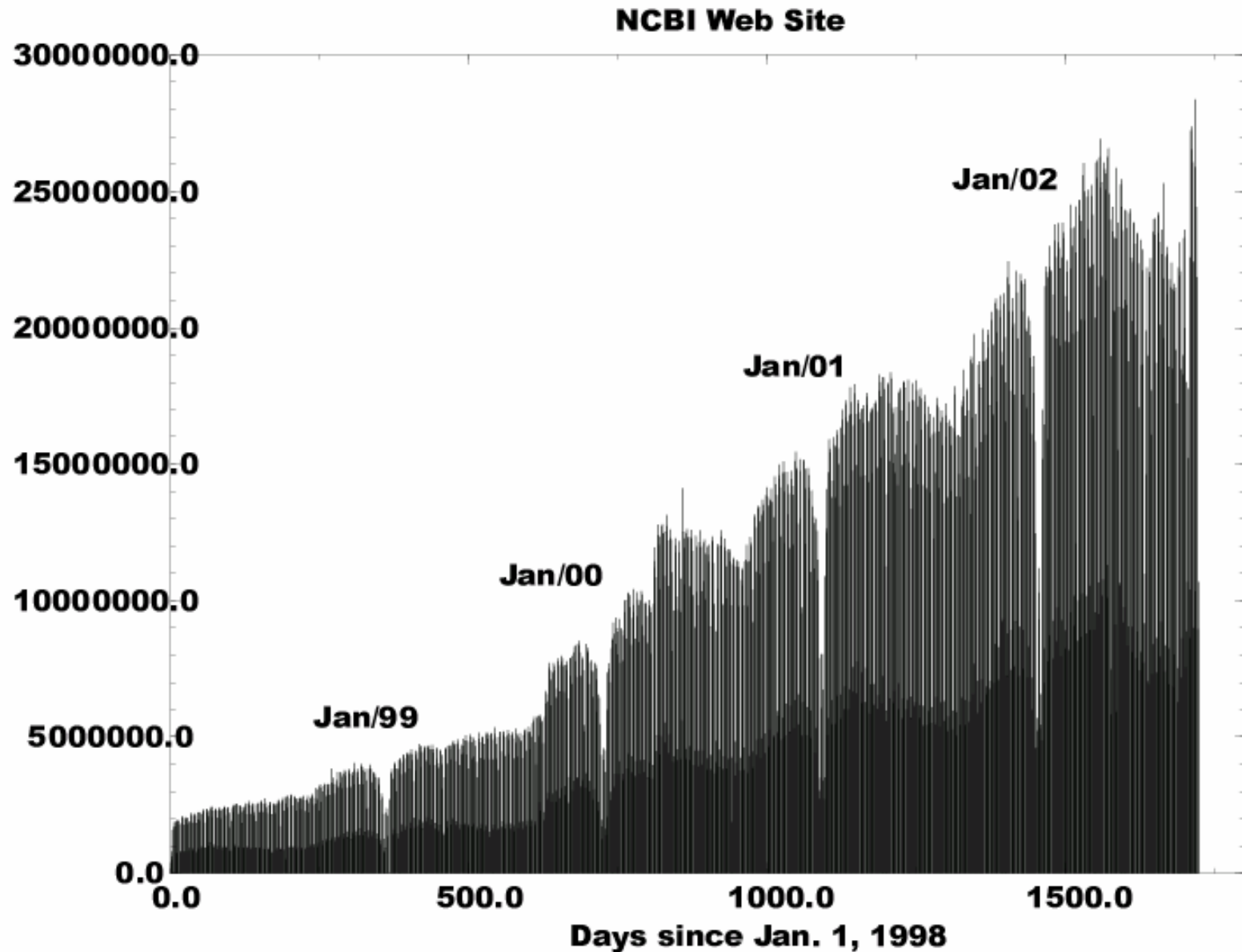
Relation: increased possibility of intra- and inter-database record to record links



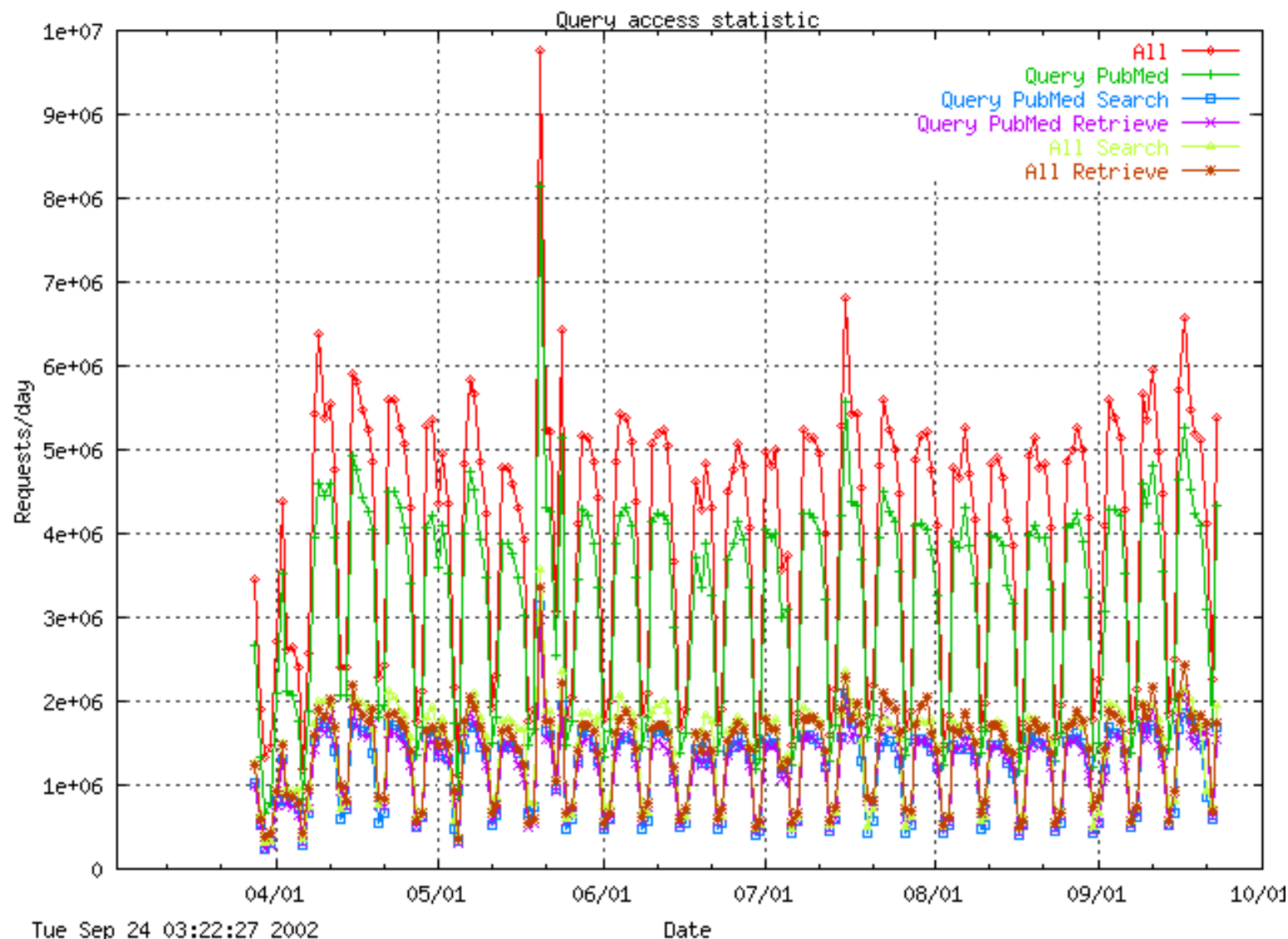
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 - Perform research into advanced methods of analyzing and interpreting molecular biology data.
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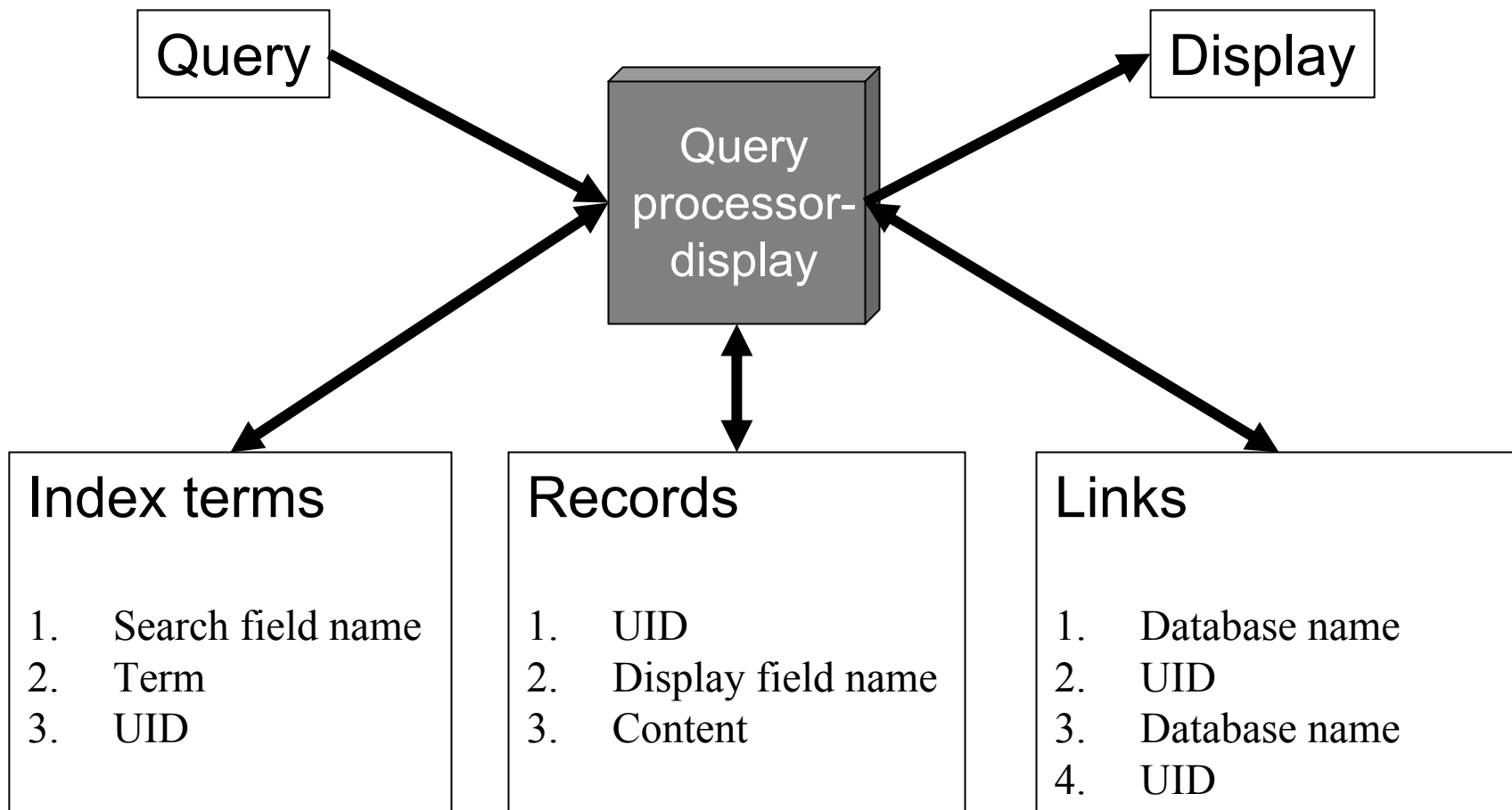
Each Entrez database contains records with pre-specified fields, contains indices on each field, and comes with an interface allowing field-specific, boolean queries.

PubMed is an Entrez database. OMIM is an Entrez database. GenBank nucleotide sequence records are contained in Entrez Nucleotide.

Links can be specified between records within the same Entrez database (intra-database links), or between records in different Entrez databases (inter-database links).

Links can be obvious (eg, identifier matching) or non-obvious (eg, sequence similarity). Non-obvious links generally require examination of the full record and some computation.

Architecture



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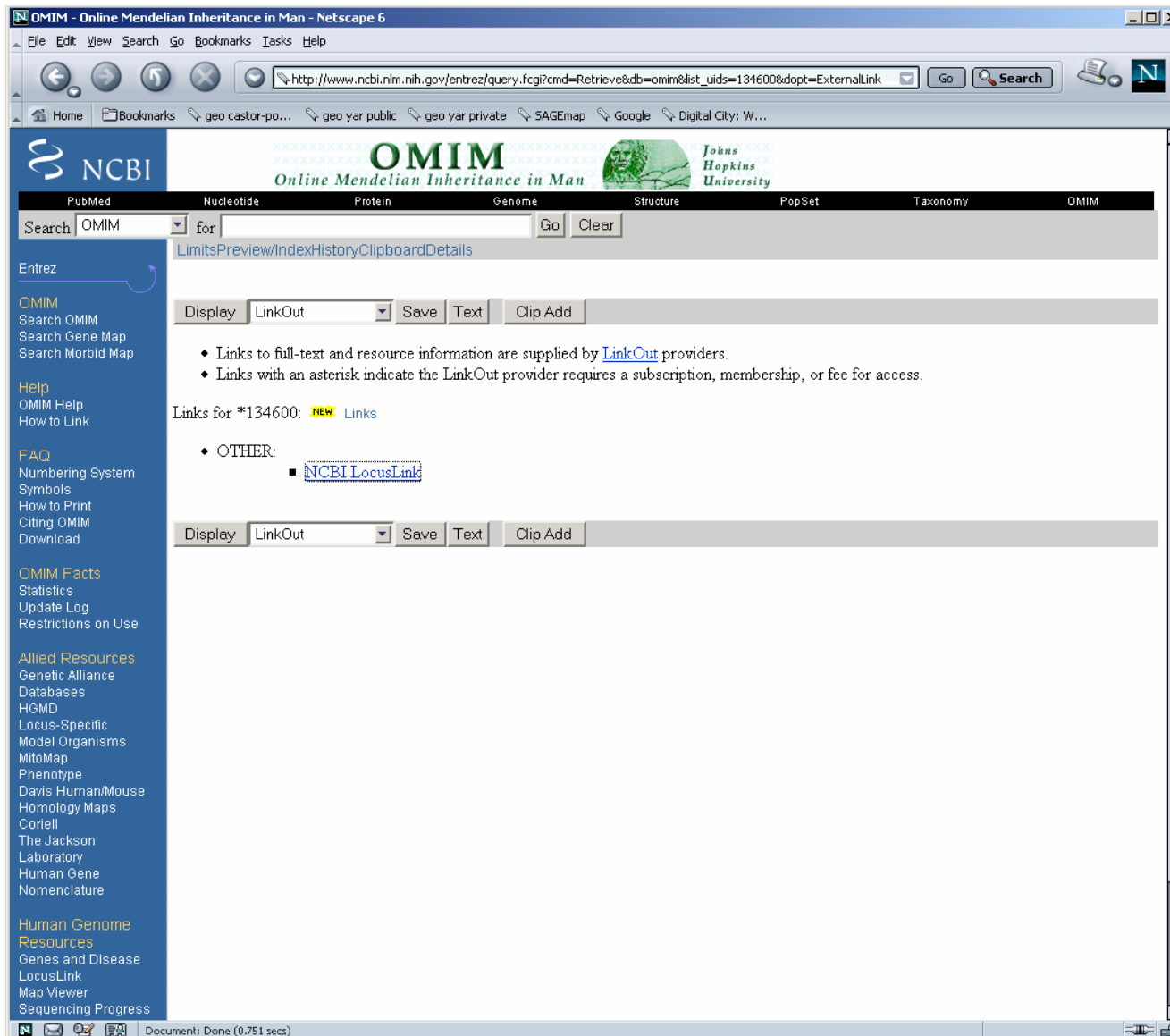
15 Entrez databases

>38 million records

>140 million indexed terms

>6.7 billion intra- and inter-database
links

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OMIM - Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man - Netscape 6

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OMIM MAP

Homo sapiens Official Gene Symbol and Name

None Available

Interim Gene Symbol and Name:

FRTS: Fanconi renotubular syndrome

LocusID: 65211

Overview ?

Locus Type: phenotype only

Alternate Symbols: RFS

Function [Submit GeneRIF](#) ?

Phenotype: [Fanconi renotubular syndrome](#)

Map Information ?

Chromosome: 15 mv

Markers:

Chr. 15	D15S537 D15S537	pm mv
Chr. 15	D15S182 D15S182	pm mv

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ideogram master

Homo sapiens Map View build 30 BLAST the Human Genome

Chromosome: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 [15] 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 X Y

Query: sts(55296) [clear]

Master Map: STS Maps & Options

Total STSs On Chromosome: 3277 [10 not localized]

Region Displayed: 39,954K-40,264K

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STSs Labeled: 12 Total STSs in Region: 22

Genes_seq STS marker Kbp

polymorphism in_gene

LOC113201

HSPC129

D15S182

RH80528

D15S537

SHGC-30973

Rd336a02

FL321439

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***Homo sapiens* Official Gene Symbol and Name**

None Available

Interim Gene Symbol and Name:

HSPC129: hypothetical protein HSPC129

LocusID: 51496

Overview [Submit GeneRIF](#) ?

Locus Type: gene with protein product, function unknown

Product: hypothetical protein HSPC129

Alternate Symbols: HSPC058

Relationships ?

Mouse Homology Maps:

NCBI vs. EST-based RH Map 2 1538.74 cR [BB409669](#) [Hs Mm](#)

Map Information ?

Chromosome: 15 **mv**

Cytogenetic: 15q14 RefSeq

NCBI Reference Sequences (RefSeq) ?

mRNA: [NM_016596](#)

Protein: [NP_057480](#) hypothetical protein HSPC129 **BL**

Domains: [N1 Interacting factor](#) This family contains a score: 403

[and also an N-terminal regions of RNA polymerase II CTC phosphatase and FCP1](#)

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Query: gi|7705461 (NM_016396) hypothetical protein HSPC129 [Homo sapiens]
Matching gi: 6841480

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200 BLAST hits to 7 selected species [Sort by taxonomy proximity](#)

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	SCORE	P	ACCESSION	GI	PROTEIN DESCRIPTION
	2147483647	27	AAF29093	6841480	HSPC129 [Homo sapiens]
	1825	27	AAF29030	6841354	HSPC058 [Homo sapiens]
	1489	27	BAA91664	7022613	unnamed protein product [Homo sapiens]
	901	21	XP_135370	20918191	similar to hypothetical protein HSPC129 [Mus musculus]
	878	27	XP_066630	17461521	similar to hypothetical protein HSPC129 [Homo sapiens]
	875	8	EAA10342	21298197	agCP2137 [Anopheles gambiae str. PEST]
	737	7	AAF60646	7331958	Hypothetical protein Y47D9A.2 [Caenorhabditis elegans]
	737	7	NP_491348	17509983	Y47D9A.2.p [Caenorhabditis elegans]
	630	3	CAB87659	7573353	putative protein [Arabidopsis thaliana]
	630	3	NP_196747	15239800	putative protein; protein id: At5g11860.1, supported by cDNA: 151766. [Arabidopsis thaliana]
	630	3	AAM62668	21553575	unknown [Arabidopsis thaliana]
	630	3	T48545	11282308	hypothetical protein F14F18.30 - Arabidopsis thaliana
	471	3	BAB63547	15289850	contains ESTs AU092190(C11346), AU062476(C11346), AU063421(C61571)~unknown protein [Arabidopsis thaliana]
	451	3	AAL66958	18377616	unknown protein [Arabidopsis thaliana]
	451	3	AAM20371	20465765	unknown protein [Arabidopsis thaliana]
	451	3	NP_199453	22327621	putative protein; protein id: At5g46410.1, supported by cDNA: gi_18377615, s...
	449	3	BAB19125	11761135	putative HSPC058 [Oryza sativa (japonica cultivar-group)]
	406	18	AAF17482	6572954	NLI-interacting factor isoform T2; NLI/Ldb1/CLIM interacting factor [Gallus gallus]
	406	18	AAF17484	6572958	NLI-interacting factor isoform R5; NLI/Ldb1/CLIM interacting factor [Gallus gallus]
	405	27	BAA21667	2289786	HYA22 [Homo sapiens]
	405	27	NP_005799	5031775	HYA22 protein [Homo sapiens]
	405	27	O15194	17865502	Nuclear LIM interactor-interacting factor 1 (NLI-interacting factor 1) (NIF-1) [Homo sapiens]
	404	17	AAL34532	17046469	Os4 [Xenopus laevis]
	403	3	AAD28548	4731912	development protein DG148 [Dictyostelium discoideum]
	399	4	S64841	2131751	hypothetical protein YLR019w - yeast (Saccharomyces cerevisiae)
	399	4	NP_013119	6323047	Plasma membrane Sodium Response 2; Psr2p [Saccharomyces cerevisiae]
	399	8	EAA13088	21300943	agCP14379 [Anopheles gambiae str. PEST]
	394	21	NP_598471	19526888	RIKEN cDNA 2810418J22 [Mus musculus]

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LOCUS NP_013119 397 aa linear PLN 09-SEP-2002

DEFINITION Plasma membrane Sodium Response 2; Psr2p [Saccharomyces cerevisiae].

DBSOURCE REFSEQ: accession [NC_001144.2](#)

KEYWORDS .

SOURCE baker's yeast.

ORGANISM [Saccharomyces cerevisiae](#)
Eukaryota; Fungi; Ascomycota; Saccharomycetes; Saccharomycetales;
Saccharomycetaceae; Saccharomyces.

REFERENCE 1 (residues 1 to 397)

AUTHORS Goffeau,A., Barrell,B.G., Bussey,H., Davis,R.W., Dujon,B., Feldmann,H., Galibert,F., Hoheisel,J.D., Jacq,C., Johnston,M., Louis,E.J., Mewes,H.W., Murakami,Y., Philippsen,P., Tettelin,H. and Oliver,S.G.

TITLE Life with 6000 genes

JOURNAL Science 274 (5287), 546 (1996)

MEDLINE [97002444](#)

REFERENCE 2 (residues 1 to 397)

AUTHORS Johnston,M., Hillier,L., Riles,L., Albermann,K., Andre,B., Ansorge,W., Benes,V., Bruckner,M., Delius,H., Dubois,E., Dusterhoft,A., Entian,K.D., Floeth,M., Goffeau,A., Hebling,U., Heumann,K., Heuss-Neitzel,D., Hilbert,H., Hilger,F., Kleine,K., Kotter,P., Louis,E.J., Messenguy,F., Mewes,H.W., Hoheisel,J.D. et al.

TITLE The nucleotide sequence of Saccharomyces cerevisiae chromosome XII

JOURNAL Nature 387 (6632 Suppl), 87-90 (1997)

MEDLINE [97313267](#)

REFERENCE 3 (residues 1 to 397)

AUTHORS Saccharomyces Genome Database (yeast-curator@genome.stanford.edu).

TITLE Direct Submission

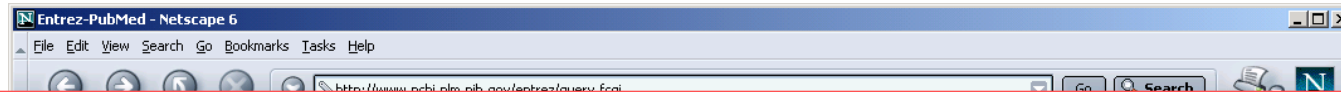
JOURNAL Submitted (17-NOV-1999) Department of Genetics, Stanford University, Saccharomyces Genome Database, Stanford, CA 94305-5120, USA

COMMENT REFSEQ: This reference sequence was provided by the Saccharomyces Genome Database (SGD).
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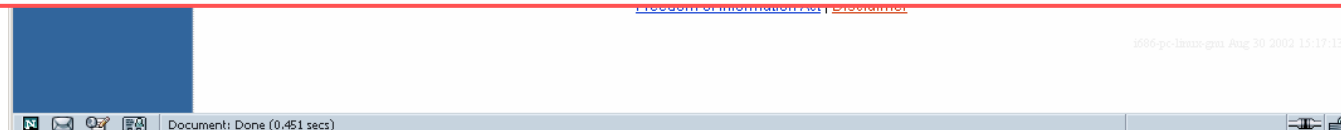
Psr1p/Psr2p, two plasma membrane phosphatases with an essential DXDX(T/V) motif required for sodium stress response in yeast.

Siniosoglou S, Hurt EC, Pelham HR.

Medical Research Council Laboratory of Molecular Biology, Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 2QH, United Kingdom.

Regulation of intracellular ion concentration is an essential function of all cells. In this study, we report the identification of two previously uncharacterized genes, PSR1 and PSR2, that perform an essential function under conditions of sodium ion stress in the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*. Psr1p and Psr2p are highly homologous and were identified through their homology with the endoplasmic reticulum membrane protein Nem1p. Localization and biochemical fractionation studies show that Psr1p is associated with the plasma membrane via a short amino-terminal sequence also present in Psr2p. Growth of the psr1psr2 mutant is severely inhibited under conditions of sodium but not potassium ion or sorbitol stress. This growth defect is due to the inability of the psr1psr2 mutant to properly induce transcription of ENA1/PMR2, the major sodium extrusion pump of yeast cells. We provide genetic evidence that this regulation is independent of the phosphatase calcineurin, previously implicated in the sodium stress response in yeast. We show that Psr1p contains a DXDX(T/V) phosphatase motif essential for its function in vivo and that a Psr1p-PtA fusion purified from yeast extracts exhibits phosphatase activity. Based on these data, we suggest that Psr1p/Psr2p, members of an emerging class of eukaryotic phosphatases, are novel regulators of salt stress response in yeast.

PMID: 10777497 [PubMed - indexed for MEDLINE]



New Entrez Databases

6 new databases in the last year

1. Books: online books
2. GEO: high-throughput gene expression and microarray datasets
3. 3D Domains: structural protein domains from Entrez Structure
4. UniSTS: markers and mapping data
5. CDD: conserved protein domains
6. SNP: single nucleotide polymorphisms

5 new databases on the way

1. UniGene: clusters of sequence similar transcripts
2. Gene: a derivation of LocusLink and Genomes
3. SKY/CGH: spectral karyotyping/comparative genomic hybridization
4. Site Search: search the NCBI web and ftp sites
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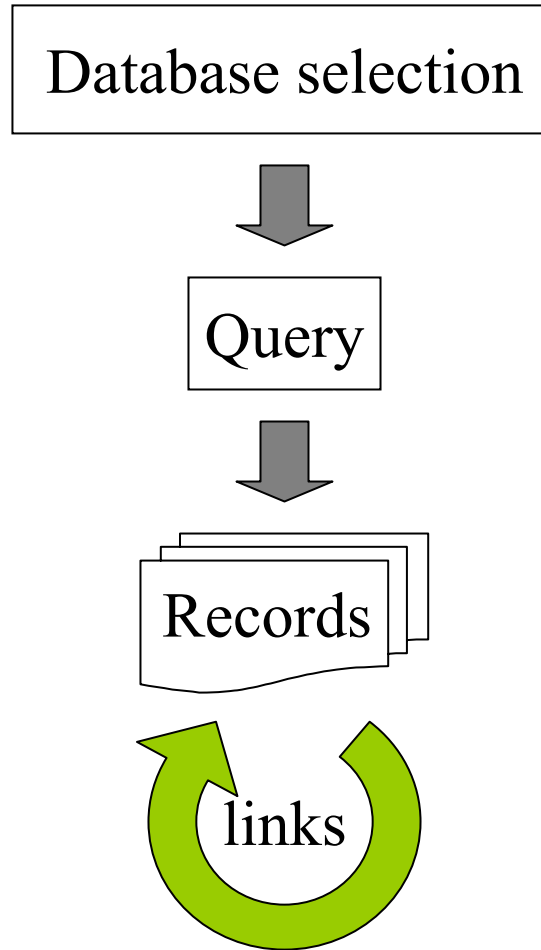
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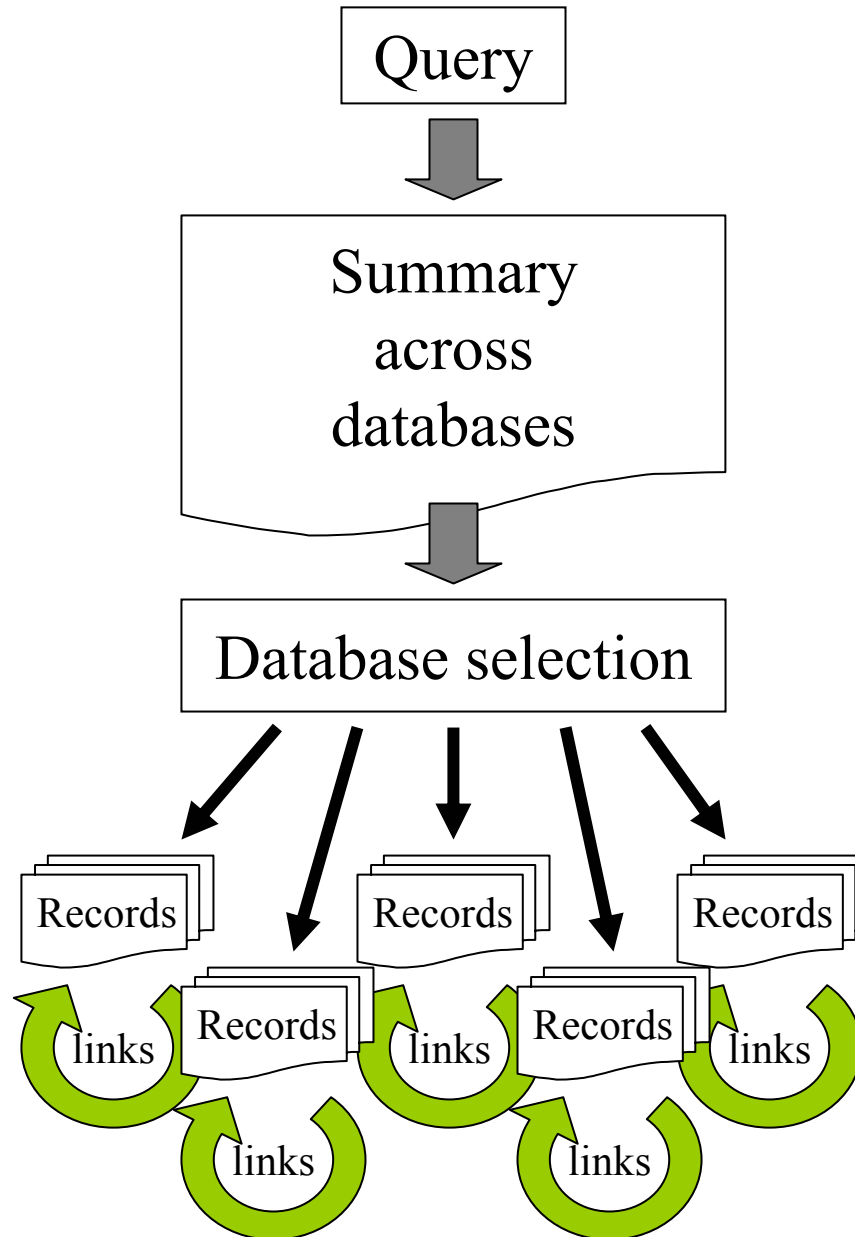
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15 queries yielded results. A total of 92 queries over 18 Entrez databases were performed.

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MapView (Hs): 1 map-position on the human genome

GenBank Nucleotide: 1 GenBank nucleotide sequence ("Title" search out of 22 total hits)

OMIM: 2 Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man records ("Title" search out of 11 total hits)

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